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Press Release

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Classification:	Battery, 243(d)PC	Incident Date:	Friday, 09-24-2010
Author/Date/Time:	Detective Daniel Rudd 09-29-2010 / 2:00 P.M.		
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Incident Location:	DBA "The Gap," 370 Lakewood Center Mall, Lakewood		
C/P Location:	N/A		
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Victim(s):	Female White Adult	Suspect(s):	Male Hispanic / 20-25, Black Hair / Brown eyes, 5'10" to 6' / 150-160 Lbs, Wearing Blue and White T- Shirt / Blue Jeans

Narrative:

A victim in the dressing room of a clothing store got quite a surprise last week! While she was trying on clothes at a local shopping mall, she saw a hand reach underneath her dressing room door and point a camera phone at her.

The victim grabbed the camera cellphone and took it away from the suspect. The suspect yelled through the door, demanding the victim give back the phone, but the victim refused and screamed for help. The suspect made several attempts to break open the dressing room door, but was unsuccessful and crawled underneath the door into the dressing room with the victim. The victim continued screaming for help. The suspect attacked the victim and they physically struggled for the cellphone. The suspect gained control of the cellphone and began to crawl out of the dressing room door with it.

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Still yelling for help, the victim tried to hold onto the suspect, but just as someone came to her aid, the suspect broke free of the victim's grasp and escaped underneath the dressing room door. He ran out of the store with the cellphone in an unknown direction.

Anyone with information about this crime or the suspect is encouraged to contact the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Lakewood Station at 562-623-3500.

If you prefer to provide information ANONYMOUSLY, you may call "Crime Stoppers" by dialing 800-222-TIPS(8477), texting the letters TIPLA plus your tip to CRIMES (274637), or using the website http://lacrimestoppers.org.

Footage of the suspect entering the store is available on a compact disc. For a copy, please contact Detective Rudd at Lakewood Sheriff's Station, 562-623-3500.